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SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: 69023-43093657@requests.muckrock.com

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Re: FEMA FOIA Case Number 2019-FEFO-00301

Dear Mr. Kick:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), dated and received in this office on February 20, 2019. You are seeking our agency's FOIA request log covering 2018, which includes a field showing the subject of each request and a field for the final disposition.

The increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office may cause some delay in processing your request. Consistent with 6 Code of Federal Regulations § 5.5(a) of the DHS FOIA regulations, the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although DHS' goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period in certain circumstances. As your request seeks documents that will require a thorough and wide-ranging search, DHS will invoke a 10-day extension for your request pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the DHS FOIA regulations, as they apply to media requesters. As a media requester, you will be charged 10 cents per page for duplication; the first 100 pages are free. We will construe the submission of your request as an agreement to pay up to \$25.00. This office will contact you before accruing any further fees.

We have queried the appropriate FEMA organizations for responsive records. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for determination of releasability. Please be assured that one of the processors in our office will respond to your request as expeditiously as possible. We appreciate your patience as we proceed with your request.

Your request has been assigned reference number **2019-FEFO-00301**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. To check the status of your FOIA request, you may

contact this office at (202) 646-3323 or email at FEMA-FOIA@fema.dhs.gov, or you may check the status of your request online at <https://www.dhs.gov/check-status-your-foia-request>.

Sincerely,

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FOIA Program Specialist